

# KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH

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Randy Bates, Acting Director  
Office of Project Management and Permitting  
State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources  
P.O. Box 110030, Juneau, AK. 99811-1030

RE: Request for review and approval of revised Ketchikan Gateway Borough Coastal Management Plan.

Dear Mr. Bates:

This letter is a request for review and approval of the final draft plan amendment for the Ketchikan Gateway Borough coastal district. LaRoche and Associates, Hill and Associates, and RAI Development Solutions have worked closely with the Ketchikan Gateway Borough to prepare this plan for your review. Included with this cover letter is a CD-ROM which contains electronic copies of the final draft plan amendment, written documentation of consultation with state and federal agencies, a copy of the resolution of support from the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly, copies of the minutes of any public meetings held, and a public distribution mailing list.

The district plan has been through multiple public hearings at both the Planning Commission and Borough Assembly levels of local government. Resolution 1950 was adopted by the Assembly on February 6, 2006, which stated that the "Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly provides its support and approval to the revised Ketchikan Gateway Borough Coastal Management Plan."

The Borough's overriding goal of this plan amendment was to make it user-friendly for property owners and developers as well as governmental reviewers. The envisioned solution was to package the district plan in to two volumes. Volume I contains all of the necessary information to approve a project. It is the working, on the ground document that serves as a developer's handbook and the coastal coordinator's useable desk reference. Volume II meets all ACMP plan amendment requirements and addresses enforceable policies and their requisite background information. Volume II also includes an inventory and analysis of Ketchikan's coastal resources and in-depth information on the development of the plan and specific coastal resources.

We have been careful to incorporate the comments of all ACMP reviewing agencies as well as the many comments of our local reviewers. We are confident that we have accommodated the perspectives of all reviewers while maintaining the substance and the policies that will make this an effective coastal plan for Ketchikan.

If you have any questions pertaining to our amendment process please do not hesitate in calling. Thank you for your continued support for Ketchikan's coastal planning efforts.

Sincerely,



Erin Reeve, Planner & Coastal Coordinator  
Ketchikan Gateway Borough

Enclosures:

1. Final Draft Plan Amendment, Volumes I and II
2. Copy of resolution of support from the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly.
3. Public distribution mailing list
4. Copies of comments received
5. Copies of minutes or summary of any public meetings held
6. Enforceable Policies Cross-Reference Table

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